29th September 1961]

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras Iruwaram Inam Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Bill, 1961."

The motion was put and carried and leave was granted.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I introduce the Bill.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Bill is introduced.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MADRAS PAYMENT ON SALARIES AND REMOVAL OF DISQUALIFICATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961 (L.A. BILL NO. 44 OF 1961

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I have to announce to the House that the Governor has given his recommendation for the consideration in the Legislative Assembly of the Madras Payment of Salaries and Removal of Disqualifications (Amendment) Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 44 of 1961).

V. GOVERNMENT BILLS—*cont.*

(4) THE MADRAS PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND REMOVAL OF DISQUALIFICATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961 (L.A. BILL NO. 44 OF 1961.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Payment of Salaries and Removal of Disqualifications (Amendment) Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 44 of 1961) be taken into consideration."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : On a point of Order, Sir, I am sorry that I have to raise a point of order and it should not be misunderstood that I am opposing the objects of the Bill. I am not expressing any opinion on that. I am also aware that my point of order may be of some embarrassment to you, but I cannot help it. Sir, I invite your kind attention to Article 178 of the Constitution. The Bill seeks to provide for the enhancement of the salaries and allowances on a par with those of the Speaker when the Deputy Speaker is doing the functions of the Speaker. Article 178 of the Constitution deals with the election of the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker. Article 186 deals with the salaries and allowances of the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker, and the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman. Now, Sir, permit me to read out Article 178—

"Every Legislative Assembly of a State shall, as soon as may be, choose two members of the Assembly to be respectively Speaker and Deputy Speaker thereof, and, so often as the office of Speaker or Deputy Speaker becomes vacant, the Assembly shall choose another member to be Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be."